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The listed document was cited in an Office Action issued in a counterpart Chinese patent application. A copy of the Chinese Office Action, which is dated April 7, 2006, is enclosed.

WO 01/31055, which is also cited in the Chinese Office Action, is already of record in the subject application.

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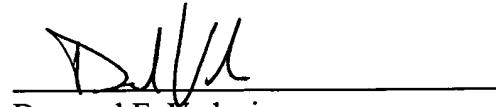
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